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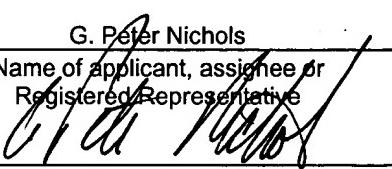
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**EXPEDITED RESPONSE UNDER  
37 CFR § 1.116**

Case No.659-1533 (K-C 14996C)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Wang et al.	)	
Serial No.: 09/753,076	)	Examiner: Mullis
Filing Date: December 29, 2000	)	Group Art Unit No.: 1711
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**RESPONSE**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, please reconsider the claims in light of the following amendments and remarks.